Message from the President

In this my first message to members since taking on the Presidency back in January I wanted to express my sincere thanks to Peddy Lai for all her hard work as president for the past two years. I also want to thank the members of the PRRES Board who work tirelessly in support of the society. Finally I want to thank the membership PRRES for giving me the opportunity to lead the society.

It seems a long time since we all travelled to Auckland for the 24th annual PRRES Conference and I am sure you will agree with me that the event was a resounding success. Thanks to Deborah Levy and her dedicated team they manager to deliver an authentic Kiwi welcome a great collection of papers. If you have not seen the photos I urge you to visit the PRRES website to see them.

Plans are already well advanced for our milestone 25th Conference. The conference will also coincide with celebrations to mark the 25th anniversary of the International Real Estate Society. Returning to the location of the very first conference in Melbourne it promises to be a great event incorporating both academic and industry sessions. Keep an eye out for the call for papers later in the year.

In taking on the role of President I am acutely aware that PRRES is struggling to maintain members and attendees at our annual conference. Universities continue to squeeze budgets and see limited benefit in attending conferences. Research papers in their view should be presented in journals and not published in conference proceedings. This, in my view, is a short-sighted approach in that the key element of international conferences is the formation of networks and the ability to collaborate with other researchers. It is therefore my intention to use my term as President to try and address the falling membership and to make PRRES a highly relevant organisation which links academia with professional practice and provides a united voice for property academics in the region.

To this end I hope to organise a more formal arrangement with our major accrediting bodies the API and RICS and to facilitate annual meetings with senior academics from all accredited universities as a formal part of the PRRES Conference. Leading up to the conference I will be contacting all accredited universities asking that they contribute to this annual discussion on the future of property education.

I would welcome any suggestions and feedback that will help make our society stronger and more relevant to the changing world of academia. Please feel free to email me on pick up the phone for a chat.

Clive Warren, President PRRES.

Membership-Important notice

Renewal of your 2018 membership for PRRES Inc is now due. If you registered and attended the 2018 PRRES Inc Conference at Auckland, New Zealand, your 2018 membership fees were included within your registration, and there is no need for further membership fees for 2018. The renewal membership fee for 2018 GST inclusive is $50.00. This has not increased from 2017. Please use the link below for all renewals, (except full time research students).


There is a brown tab at the top right-hand side of the web page labelled “book now” – click the brown tab and follow the prompts for your name and address details, and credit card payment.

Full time research students are provided with FREE MEMBERSHIP. Please contact hera.antoniades@uts.edu.au for further details.
Save the date:
Pacific Rim Real Estate Society
25th Annual Conference.

January 14th – 16th 2019
Melbourne, Australia
Melbourne School of Design, University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia

PRRES @ 25: Connecting property researchers

The University of Melbourne, Deakin University, and the Pacific Rim Real Estate Society announce the 25th Pacific Rim Real Estate Society Conference

The 25th Annual Pacific Rim Real Estate Society Conference, co-hosted by the University of Melbourne and Deakin University, will be held at the award-winning Melbourne School of Design Building at the University of Melbourne.

Celebrating a quarter of a century of the Pacific Rim Real Estate Society the conference is noted for its friendly, convivial atmosphere with a history of connecting researchers – which is why we have made that our theme this year. It is an opportunity to share your research, meet existing and potential collaborators, have new ideas, make and continue lifelong friendships.

Melbourne in January is very vibrant. Lots of sport with the Australian Tennis Open and cricket’s Big Bash League, plus all our usual culinary and cultural activities [http://www.visitmelbourne.com/](http://www.visitmelbourne.com/). The University is also 2 blocks from the famous Lygon Street, Carlton – Australia’s premier food street.

Tennis evening
We are organising attendance at a tennis evening session on Monday 14th January for those that are interested. Further details to follow.

Industry day
In conjunction with the Australian and international professional associations we plan to hold an Industry day for Professional Development Points to engage with leading edge issues for practice.

IRES @ 25 too
The International Real Estate Society is also celebrating 25 years in 2018-19. In conjunction with them we are planning events to mark theirs and our auspicious occasions.

Submission Deadlines
All Abstracts 31st August 2018
Acceptance of abstracts Mid-September 2018
Submission of Refereed Papers 30th September 2018
Submission of Amended or Final Papers for inclusion 15th February 2019 in the online published proceedings

Potential topics include:

- Urban economics
- Sustainable real estate and urban economics
- Global Property markets
- Real estate investment and finance
- Housing issues
- Property taxation
- Property valuation
- Real estate risk management
- Corporate real estate and Facility management
- Changing workspace requirements
- Property portfolio management
- Property development
- Real estate market analysis
- Education
- Land economics.
- History of real estate societies and research

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Postgraduate Colloquium - Reminder for 2019
Don’t forget the conference presents a wonderful opportunity for Phd students to present their research in a supportive environment. If you’re supervising or know a HDR student who would benefit from this experience, please consider making them aware of the colloquium. Also, in a minor change of format from past colloquiums, PhD presentations will be integrated as a separate stream within the main conference program.
University News
University of Technology
Book release:
Retrofitting Cities for Tomorrow’s World

Review Sara J Wilkinson.

This book is the culmination of a 4-year collaborative research project undertaken by leading UK universities, city authorities, leading architecture practices and major international property consultancies. Retrofitting Cities for Tomorrow’s World examines theoretical and practical aspects of the much-needed transition to sustainability. With an emphasis on innovation and new ways of re-imagining urban retrofitting, the book is set within a ‘futures based’ thinking concept.

Urban retrofitting at city and building scale is gaining prominence in research and policy areas. Whilst cities are a source of resource depletion and stress, they are also hubs of innovation and knowledge offering great potential for scaling up technological responses. However, this requires a major shift in thinking and expanding of positive responses to climate change and associated threats to liveability and resilience. Contributors to the book posit solutions and innovative ideas at building and city scale for ways in which we might retrofit for tomorrow’s world. The 15-chapter book covers;

1. Governance And Dynamics Of Urban Retrofit
2. Modelling Urban Transitions And Pathways

Three of the 15 chapters were written by academics outside the UK. One chapter is authored by a Dutch academic, Derk Loorbach and two chapters focus on Australian cities, and are written by Australian academics. The chapter co-authored by Sara Wilkinson, Paul van der Kallen, Allan Teale and Hera Antoniades of UTS focusses on the economic, social and environmental aspects and potential transformation of the commercial property market through green roof retrofit. Peter Newton of Swinburne Uni considers ways of accommodating rapid population growth in our cities through regeneration and retrofit. The other 12 chapters offer insights into how the problems and issues are, or can be tackled outside of Australia, all provide food for thought.

University of Melbourne
Announcing two new exciting appointments. The first is Rahgu Tirumala who joined the university from RICS Academy in Delhi and second Julie Miao who has joined from University of Glasgow. Congratulations and the PRRES members look forward to seeing you both at the 2019 25th Annual conference.

Pacific Rim Property Research Journal
The Pacific Rim Property Research Journal welcomes high quality articles from the broader academic and real estate community and, as always, members of PRRES are strongly encouraged to submit papers for consideration for publication in the Pacific Rim Property Research Journal.

The Pacific Rim Property Research Journal (PRPRJ) is the official refereed journal of the Pacific Rim Real Estate Society (PRRES). PRPRJ invites contributions in the following property research areas:

- Property market dynamics
- Modelling property markets
- Property valuation
- Property cycles
- Housing markets and policy issues
- Property and IT
- Property management
- Corporate real estate
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- International property
- Property development
- Property investment and finance
- Property education

Papers must examine applied property issues in a rigorous manner, should not be merely descriptive and will be subject to an anonymous review process by two external referees.

Please Note: All papers must follow PRPRJ editorial guidelines (see http://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?journalCode=rprj20&page=instructions) and be submitted to the editor (Professor David Parker).

Regards,
Professor David Parker, Editor, Pacific Rim Property Research Journal
Email: david.parker@unisa.edu.au

Composition of the PRRES board
Following the elections held at the Annual meeting of the 24th Annual Pacific Rim Real Estate Society we are pleased to announce the following board members have been appointed:

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President: Clive Warren
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